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SUBJECT: DUTCH JOURNALIST PETER CUSTERS

1. MEMBERS OF A COMMITTEE TO SAVE PETER CUSTERS DEMONSTRATED OUTSIDE THE BANGLADESH EMBASSY AUGUST 23 TO URGE THE DUTCHMAN'S RELEASE BY BD AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING TO CHARGE HUMAYUN KABIR, GROUP OF ABOUT SIX PERSONS WAS ENTIRELY ORDERLY. BRIEF ACCOUNT IN WASHINGTON POST OF THE DEMONSTRATION REPORTS THAT MOST DEMONSTRATORS HAD MET CUSTERS WHEN HE WAS STUDYING FOR DOCTORATE AT JOHN HOPKINS.

2. DURING KABIR'S COURTESY CALL ON COUNTRY DIRECTOR LANDE AUGUST 24, WE DISCUSSED CUSTERS BRIEFLY WITH HIM AND MENTIONED IN OFF HAND WAY THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF CONGRESSIONAL AND PRESS INQUIRIES ABOUT CUSTERS. KABIR TELLS US THAT HIS EMBASSY HAS ALSO FIELDDED MANY QUESTIONS ON THE SUBJECT.

3. WE ARE POUCHING PRESS CLIPPINGS ON CUSTERS TO YOU. KISSINGER

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